California Regional Water Quality Control Board



EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT Meeting Date: February 17, 1976

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State of California

San Francisco Bay Region

SUBJECT:

REPORT ON STATUS OF SAN MATEO COUNTY MID-COASTSIDE SUBREGIONAL WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

CHRONOLOGY:

December 17, 1974 - NPDES permits adopted for Montara, Granada and Half Moon Bay.

July 15, 1975 - Revised compliance time schedules adopted for Montara and Granada.

DISCUSSION:

The San Mateo mid-coastside agencies (Montara, Granada, and Half Moon Bay) have entered into a joint excercise of powers agreement to implement a consolidated subregional program which is consistent with the Basin Plan; provided that they can secure grant funding for a treatment facility with capacity which they consider acceptable. The Regional Board and its staff have been encouraging these agencies for at least five years to implement a consolidated subregional program. If grant funding of acceptable capacity is not provided, the agencies see little or no incentive to consolidate.

The staff report, attached in Appendix B provides a summary of the institutional and planning history, and the technical background data relevant to this subregion. Also included is a detailed description of the current status.

Several studies have been made to determine the best water quality management plan for this subregion. When cost and environmental protection are taken as the principal criteria for evaluation of alternate solution to the problem, a consolidation of treatment and disposal (or reclamation) facilities has consistently been found to provide the best plan. The Basin Plan calls for such consolidation and should be used by the Regional Board and others as a guide in solving this areas wastewater management problems.

The public entities responsible for solving the problem have been unable to agree on political and institutional issues. BASSA has formally indicated its concern and willingness to act. I believe it is timely and appropriate, under the circumstances, for the Regional Board to ask BASSA to initiate action leading to an early designation of an implementing agency.

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DATION:

That the Regional Board request BASSA to take actions and recommendations to this Board; and urge acceptable funding of a consolidated subregional project by the State Board, by adopting the tentative resolution in Appendix A.

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Appendices:

Appendix A - Tentative Resolution

Appendix B - Staff Report and Attachments

Appendix C - Correspondence Appendix D - NPDES Permits